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HIGHLIGHTS

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES (DHSS) SNAPSHOT NEWSLETTER IS NOW AVAILABLE

The Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) Snapshot Newsletter is now available through the following link: <http://health.mo.gov/information/news/snapshot/nov14.pdf> . The Snapshot is a bi-monthly publication. Look for future editions in the Friday Facts.

NEW ADMINISTRATOR AT DUNKLIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The Dunklin County Health Department is pleased to announce the appointment of Lisa Johnson as Administrator effective January 1.

WAYNE COUNTY HEALTH CENTER NEW OFFICE HOURS

Starting January 2015, the Wayne County Health Center will be closed the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month.

CONGRATULATIONS BRYANT BURTON - Camden County Health Department

After serving over 18 years as the Administrator of the Camden County Health Department, Bryant Burton will be retiring effective January 9. Bee Dampier will resume duties as the new Administrator for Camden County Health Department upon Bryant Burton's departure. Bee's e-mail address is DampiT@lpha.mopublic.org.

MISSOURI HEALTH NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (MO-HNS) TRAINING

The Emergency Coordination Center (ERC) has created the MO-HNS training to help LPHAs understand the use of MO-HNS and to implement it as appropriate in their counties. Before you take the training we would like you to take the pre-test that can be found at <https://health.mo.gov/training/mohns/pretest.php>. Once you have taken the pre-test, you are asked to watch the presentation at <https://health.mo.gov/training/mohns/presentation.pps>. This presentation has audio with it, and is a large file. If for some reason you cannot access the above presentation, attached is the presentation in PDF format that does not have the audio. Once you have completed the presentation we are asking you to take the post-test at <https://health.mo.gov/training/mohns/posttest.php>. The data from the pre-test and the post-tests will be compiled and compared to evaluate the effectiveness of the training. Should you have questions or need additional assistance, please contact the ERC at DRMS@health.mo.gov or call 800-392-0272 and choose option 1 to speak with a duty officer.

Meetings, Conferences, and Trainings

- [SAVE-THE-DATE: Conference on Prevention and Treatment of Childhood Obesity - April 21-22](#)

Satellite Broadcasts and Webcasts

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Links to Valuable Resources

- [Calendar of Events](#)
- [Directory of LPHAs](#)
- [Area Agencies on Aging & Services](#)
- [Missouri Association of Local Public Health Agencies](#)
- [Missouri Institute for Community Health](#)
- [Heartland Centers](#)
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- [CDC's Weekly Scientific Digest](#)
- [CDC Environmental Health Training Resources](#)
- [FDA Environmental Health Training](#)
- [Missouri Health Information Technology \(MO HIT\) Assistance Center](#)
- [Ozark Public Health Institute](#)

PROVIDER OF SERVICES FOR REINSTATEMENT

The Division of Community and Public Health has been notified by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that effective December 18, 2014, Douglas Charles Albers, Pharmaceutical Owner, has been restored eligibility as a provider of services covered under the title XVIII (Medicare) program.

BIRTH DEFECTS PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH

January is recognized as Missouri Birth Defects Prevention and Awareness Month to remind all women of childbearing age that steps can be taken to promote a healthy pregnancy and a healthy baby. Since nearly half of all pregnancies are unplanned, it is critical that all women capable of becoming pregnant maintain optimal health preconceptionally, before getting pregnant, and interconceptionally, between pregnancies, to improve birth outcomes and reduce the risk of birth defects. Take a multivitamin with 400 micrograms (mcg) of folic acid daily to prevent up to 70% of serious birth defects; abstain from alcohol, tobacco, and illegal drugs; monitor medication and prescription drugs; avoid exposure to secondhand smoke and harmful chemicals; have a preconception checkup followed by early and regular prenatal care; and learn your family medical history. Visit <http://health.mo.gov/pregnancyandbeyond> or call the Bureau of Genetics and Healthy Childhood at 800-877-6246.

RURAL HEALTH NETWORK PLANNING PROGRAM FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

The Office of Rural Health Policy (ORHP) is pleased to announce the release of the Rural Health Network Development Planning Program (Network Planning). This is a one-year community-driven program targeted to assist in the planning and development of an integrated health care network. Health care networks can be an effective strategy to address a broad range of challenges unique to rural communities by bringing together rural providers and other community organizations. For grantees, this funding provides an opportunity to implement new and innovative approaches to adapting to a changing health care environment that may serve as a model to other rural communities to better align and coordinate local health care services. Network planning activities that model evidence-based frameworks or models that work are encouraged. Previously funded projects include topics such as workforce, behavioral health, telehealth, care coordination, health information technology, and outreach and enrollment. To learn more about applying for the FY15 Rural Health Network Development Planning Program (HRSA-15-036), please visit <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=HRSA-15-036> (click on application package tab at the top to get the Instructions and Application). The deadline to apply is **January 9, 2015**.

WIC UPDATES

The WIC Updates have been posted to the WIC web page. You can view the updates at <http://health.mo.gov/living/families/wic/wicupdates/index.php>. This week's updates include:

December 22 and December 29:

- Mandatory Administrative Update Training – Registration OPEN
- **JOB POSTING:** Part-Time Community Dietitian – Family Care Health Centers

LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY (LPHA) EBOLA WEB PAGE UPDATES

The LPHA Ebola Updates have been posted to the LPHA Ebola web page. You can view the updates at: <https://health.mo.gov/EmergencyInfoForLPHAs/ebola/ebola.php>. This week's updates include:

- Questions and Answers about Ebola and Food Safety in the United States (CDC)
- The Buddy System (NIOSH)
- Procedures for Safe Handling and Management of Ebola-Associated Waste (CDC)
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on Interim Guidance for Managers and Workers Handling Untreated Sewage from Suspected or Confirmed Individuals with Ebola in the U.S. (CDC)
- Addressing Ebola Virus Infection Concerns in K-12 Schools: Interim Guidance for District and School Administrators (CDC)
- Information for Airlines (CDC)
- Health Update 3: Hospital Preparedness for Patients with Possible or Confirmed Ebola Virus Disease [EVD] (DHSS)

For questions, contact Jennifer Harrison by e-mail at Jennifer.Harrison@health.mo.gov, or by telephone at 573-522-2881.

MISSOURI MILK, FOOD, AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MMFEHA) 2014 FALL NEWSLETTER IS NOW AVAILABLE

The MMFEHA 2014 Fall Newsletter is now available on-line at http://www.mmfeha.org/images/stories/MMFEHA_FILES/2014fallnews.pdf. This year's newsletter includes a BIG ANNOUNCEMENT for our members, last year's award winners, scholarship information, and more. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Chelsie Chambers, Public Relations Chair, at 573-874-7346 or cmchambe@gocolumbiamo.com.

DHSS CORNER

DHSS JOB OPPORTUNITIES/NEWS:

PART-TIME NUTRITIONIST – Jefferson City

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services - Bureau of Community Food and Nutrition Assistance is seeking a part-time Nutritionist. The Nutritionist will provide support for the Child and Adult Care Food Program and the Summer Food Service Program, providing training, technical assistance, and conducting on-site monitoring of program contractors. Good communication skills, verbal and written, are essential. Applicants must possess a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a minimum of 15 earned credit hours in foods and nutrition, including at least one course in diet therapy and one course in community nutrition or nutrition in life cycle; and, two or more years of professional experience as a dietitian or nutritionist. Day travel and some overnight travel are required. Prior experience working with child nutrition programs is helpful, but not required. For additional information, or to schedule an interview, contact the Bureau of Community Food and Nutrition Assistance at 800-733-6251. Please submit a cover letter, resume, and college transcripts to SFSP@health.mo.gov.

MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND TRAININGS

2015 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN (EMSC) PEDIATRIC CONFERENCE – January 22

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Unit, in conjunction with the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Emergency Medical Services for Children grant project, is inviting all interested persons to the 2015 EMSC Pediatric Conference, "A Day with Children." Speakers for this conference are from the four best known pediatric specialty care centers from St. Louis, Kansas City, and Columbia and will present their expertise on a variety of topics faced by medical professionals in pediatric emergencies. This conference is scheduled to be held on January 22, 2015 at the Tan-Tar-A Lake Resort in Osage Beach. It will begin at 8:00 a.m. and run until approximately 5:30 p.m. Lodging is available at a special conference rate and participants may arrive the evening of January 21, 2015 and register early. Registration on January 22, 2015 will begin at 7:00 a.m. Conference brochures with registration information are available on the Bureau of EMS website at health.mo.gov/safety/ems. There is no charge for the conference.

ORAL HEALTH POLICY CONFERENCE – February 19-20

Registration is now open for the Oral Health Policy Conference-*Moving Forward for Oral Health!* Join advocates and professionals for Missouri's only conference dedicated to oral health public policy. Conference features keynote addresses by Dr. Bob Russell, DDS, MPH, Dental Director, Iowa Department of Public Health; Amy Blouin, Executive Director, Missouri Budget Project, Missouri Budget Overview; Local Fluoridation Panel, chaired by Dr. Lori Henderson, with Julie Schanda, Jordan Valley, Debbie Hoehn, St. Francois County Health Center, Kyle Vogel, Nixa City Council, Eric Medlock, Missouri Department of Natural Resources; Amy Kelsey, DHSS Oral Health Program; Colin Reusch, MPA, Children's Dental Health Project, Dental Coverage and the Affordable Care Act (ACA); Dr. Paul Glassman, DDS, the Revolution in Science, Delivery Systems & Financing; Dr. Christie Custodio-Lumsden, PhD, Columbia University College of Dental Medicine, Broadening Horizons in Oral Health: Taking a Social and Behavioral Determinants of Health Perspective; oral health champion awards; networking reception; Oral Health Legislative Awareness Event at the Capitol just prior to the conference (optional), and more. The oral health of Missouri is poor. The CDC ranks Missouri 47th among states in access to oral health care. Pew Charitable Trusts gives Missouri a "C" for children's oral health and a "D" for use of dental sealants. Sixty-three percent of Missouri Medicaid-enrolled children received no dental care and 44% of skilled nursing facility residents were assessed with untreated decay. The coalition's mission is to improve the oral health of all Missourians through sound public policy and public awareness. The Missouri Coalition for Oral Health is funded through memberships, donations and by the Missouri Foundation for Health, the REACH Healthcare Foundation, and the Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City. For questions, contact us at www.oralhealthmissouri.org, [MCOH on Twitter](#), [MCOH on Facebook](#) or Gary Harbison, Executive Director at gharbison@oralhealthmissouri.org

SAVE-THE-DATE! CONFERENCE ON PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF CHILDHOOD OBESITY – April 21-22

The Missouri Council for Activity and Nutrition is sponsoring a statewide conference at the Stoney Creek Inn in Columbia to showcase publically vetted recommendations to advance prevention and treatment for childhood obesity, align statewide actions to implement those recommendations, and highlight exciting new insights and approaches. Health care providers, public health practitioners, and others interested in the prevention and treatment of childhood obesity should attend. Additional details will be available at www.mocan.org. For questions, contact Pat Simmons by telephone at 573-522-2843 or by e-mail at Pat.Simmons@health.mo.gov.

SATELLITE BROADCASTS AND WEBCASTS

UPCOMING SATELLITE BROADCASTS AND WEBCASTS

Please see the [attached flier](#) listing upcoming satellite broadcasts. Contact Jackie McCoy at 573-751-6170 or Heather Rhodes at 573-751-6168 with questions or to report technical problems.

LPHA JOB OPPORTUNITIES

NUTRITIONIST/HEALTH EDUCATOR – Bollinger County Health Center

The Bollinger County Health Center WIC program is accepting resumes for a traveling Nutritionist/Health Educator. Position requires frequent travel to other public health agencies in the southeast region. Reliable transportation is required. Applicants must have graduated from an accredited four-year college or university with a bachelor's degree; have at least 15 semester hours in food and nutrition; including diet therapy and community nutrition. The Health Educator position requires working closely with schools and the general public. Please submit a resume by January 20 to Juanita Welker, Administrator, Bollinger County Health Center, P O Box 409, Marble Hill, MO 63764. For more information, call 573-238-2817 or toll-free 866-338-2817. The Bollinger County Health Center is an equal opportunity affirmative action employer. Services provided on a nondiscriminatory basis.

FULL-TIME REGISTERED DIETITIAN/NUTRITIONIST – Cass County Health Department

The Cass County Health Department is accepting applications for a full-time Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist in the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program. This position is responsible for providing nutrition and breastfeeding counseling and education to eligible families. Applicants must possess a bachelor's degree in dietetics/nutrition at a minimum. WIC experience preferred. WIC works Monday-Thursday 10 hour days. Salary is dependent on experience. To see full description, visit www.casscountyhealth.com. Submit resumes to Tiffany Klassen by e-mail at tiffanyk@casscounty.com, or by mail to: Cass County Health Department, 300 South Main, Harrisonville, 64701.

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH SPECIALIST – Cass County Health Department

The Cass County Health Department is accepting applications for a full-time Environmental Public Health Specialist. To see full description, visit www.casscountyhealth.com. Submit resumes to Tiffany Klassen by e-mail at tiffanyk@casscounty.com, or by mail to: Cass County Health Department, 300 South Main, Harrisonville, 64701. Position open until filled.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE –Cass County Health Department

The Cass County Health Department is accepting applications for a full-time Public Health Nurse. To see full description, visit www.casscountyhealth.com. Submit resumes to Tiffany Klassen by e-mail at tiffanyk@casscounty.com, or by mail to: Cass County Health Department, 300 South Main, Harrisonville, 64701. Position open until filled.

Gail Vasterling, Department Director, DHSS Staff
County Presiding Commissioners, Board Chairs

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